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*Smallpox in Alabama.*MOBILE, ALA., *December 22, 1897.*

SIR: I have the honor to state that modified smallpox has existed at McGrews Shoals, on the Tombigbee River, where colored hands were working on Government dredging since September. The origin is claimed to have been from Pine Hill, in Wilcox County, Ala. At Salitpa, Clarke County, near there, there have been about 25 cases. Dr. Fleming, the Government physician, has just recovered from an attack. At Walker Springs, Clarke County, there have been 5 cases; at Glendon, 1 case. Near Carneys Bluff, 4 cases. All, except some of the cases at Salitpa, were colored persons.

As the 200 hands employed on the Government work have been discharged, it is probable that cases will occur in Clarke, Washington, Wilcox, Choctaw, Marengo, Monroe, and Mobile counties. The health officer of Clarke County and other physicians are actively vaccinating the colored population and isolating patients when found, but it will not be surprising if cases occur in this city and that the disease will assume more dangerous features as the weather becomes colder.

Very respectfully,

R. D. MURRAY,
*Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.**Smallpox at Holyoke, Mass.*HOLYOKE, MASS., *December 23, 1897.*

DEAR SIR: In reference to your letter marked G. T. V., would say that 2 cases of smallpox are now being treated in this city; 1, a girl of 12 years of age, and a boy of 7 years of age, residing at 143 Main street, this city. We are unable to trace the origin of these cases. Any other information needed will be attended to at once.

Respectfully,

J. A. MURRAY,
*Clerk, Board of Health.*The SUPERVISING SURGEON-GENERAL,
U. S. Marine-Hospital Service.

Smallpox in the United States as reported to the Supervising Surgeon-General United States Marine-Hospital Service, December 29, 1896, to December 31, 1897.

Places.	Date.	Cases.	Deaths.	Remarks.
Alabama:				
Bessemer.....	Sept. 26-Oct. 2....	1	.....	5 cases varioloid.
Birmingham and adjacent country.....	May 8-Aug. 12....	96	1	
	Aug. 21-Oct. 16....	68	.....
	Nov. 1-Nov. 27....	32	1	
	Nov. 28-Dec. 4....	13	.....
	Dec. 5-Dec. 25....	58	2	
Brockton.....	Aug. 29.....	1	.....	Smallpox reported to exist since September, 1897.
Carney's Bluff.....	Dec. 22.....	4	.....
Glendon.....	.....do.....	1	.....
McGrew's Shoals.....	.....do.....	.....	.....
Mobile.....	Dec. 28-Jan. 26....	2	.....
	Mar. 28.....	1	.....
	Apr. 17.....	1	.....
	May 21.....	1	.....
	May 31.....	1	.....
Montgomery.....	Aug. 7-Aug. 13....	28	.....
Salitpa.....	Dec. 22.....	25	.....
Union Springs.....	Mar. 21.....	.....	1	
Walker Springs.....	Dec. 22.....	5	.....
Connecticut:				
New Haven.....	Feb. 17.....	1	.....